



Guide to the Samoset Chapter of the Colonial Dames XVII Century Records

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Summary Information

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Abstract:	The Samoset Chapter of the Colonial Dames XVII Century Records (1970-2022) consist of scrapbooks, volumes of meeting minutes and treasurer's reports, and National Colonial Heritage Month proclamations from cities throughout Nevada. The materials document the Samoset (Las Vegas) Chapter's activities, including chapter meetings, community service and events, gifts and scholarships, national and state conferences, and the chapter's work to place a historic marker at Callville Bay, Lake Mead, Nevada.

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Historical Background

The Samoset Chapter is the Las Vegas chapter of the National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century, an "organization of women who are lineal descendants of an ancestor who lived and served prior to 1701 in one of the Original Colonies in the geographical area of the present United States of America." The Samoset Chapter was organized in 1970 and chartered in 1971. Members take part

in genealogical research, support of education through various activities, and preservation of historic sites and documents.

Sources:

"Colonial Dames society holding state conference." *Las Vegas Sun*, March 21, 1997. NewsBank.

Jones, Florence Lee. "Genealogy is their hobby." *Las Vegas Review-Journal*, April 7, 1974.

NewsBank.

The National Society of Colonial Dames XVII Century. "Home." Accessed December 5, 2024. <https://www.colonialdames17c.org/>

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Scope and Contents Note

The Samoset Chapter of the Colonial Dames XVII Century Records (1970-2022) consist of scrapbooks, volumes of meeting minutes and treasurer's reports, and National Colonial Heritage Month proclamations from cities throughout Nevada. The materials document the Samoset (Las Vegas) Chapter's activities, including chapter meetings, community service and events, gifts and scholarships, national and state conferences, and the chapter's work to place a historic marker at Callville Bay, Lake Mead, Nevada. The scrapbooks contain photographs, newspaper clippings, correspondence, and event programs. One scrapbook primarily documents the Callville Bay historic marker placement, including correspondence with the National Park Service and other state governmental bodies, photographs, and historical documentation about the original Callville Bay settlement.

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Arrangement

Materials are arranged chronologically.

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 2024 by Susan Gormley; accession number 2024-121.

Appraisal Note

Acquired by Su Kim Chung, curator, as part of UNLV Special Collections and Archives holdings on women in Las Vegas. All material that formed the original gift has been retained.

Processing Note

In 2024, Landon Paljusaj rehoused the materials, arranged and described the collection, and created the finding aid in ArchivesSpace.

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Names and Subjects

- Women -- Societies and clubs
- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Community organization
- Scrapbook
- photographs

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Scrapbook, 1970 to 1976	oversized box 01
Meeting minutes and treasurer's reports, 1970 September to 1975 May	oversized box 02
Meeting minutes and treasurer's reports, 1975 September to 1981 May	oversized box 02
Scrapbook, 1977 to 1984	oversized box 02
Scrapbook documenting the historic marker placement at Callville Bay, Lake Mead, Nevada, 1980	oversized box 02
Meeting minutes and treasurer's reports, 1981 to 1997	oversized box 03
Scrapbook, 1983 to 1989	oversized box 01
National Colonial Heritage Month proclamations, 2011 to 2022	oversized box 01
Flash drive [unprocessed]	oversized box 03